SENATE BILL NO. 779

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR SMITH.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 162, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to preschool programs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 162, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 162.1168, to read as follows:

162.1168. The state shall, subject to appropriations, provide fully subsidized preschool at a child facility licensed under the provisions of sections 210.201 to 210.259, RSMo, that employs highly qualified 4 teachers, for each child residing within a school district that is 5 classified as "unaccredited" or "provisionally accredited" by the state 6 board of education who is one or two years from entering kindergarten 7 and who is eligible for a reduced lunch price under the National School Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 1751, et seq., as amended. Fifty percent of the 9 funding shall be distributed to community-based programs. The department of elementary and secondary education shall promulgate rules to effectuate the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is 12 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become 13 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions 14 of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This 15 section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the 16 17 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul 18 a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of 19 rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 20 28, 2008, shall be invalid and void.

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